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### Notification of Public Notice

Enclosed are public notices issued by the SCDHEC Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. All interested parties are allowed 30 days for major developments and 15 days for minor developments after receipt of the public notices to file written comments to the OCRM pertaining to the applications. Only those comments received within this period must be reviewed by the OCRM in processing the permit application. Any person wishing notification of the initial OCRM decision on any specific public notice must make written request within the designated review period for that public notice.

APPLICANT	PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER	SUSPENSE DATE
Ribaut Island Associates, LLC*	2005-1E-178-P	August 13, 2005
SC Department of Transportation	2005-1T-209-P	August 13, 2005

**\* Note: Please send all comment letters for Ribaut Island Associates, LLC to the Beaufort OCRM office at 104 Parker Drive, Beaufort, SC 29906. Fax (843) 846-9810.**

**July 14, 2005**

**SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**  
**Ocean and Coastal Resource Management**  
**Charleston Office • 1362 McMillan Avenue • Suite 400 • Charleston, SC 29405**  
**Phone: (843) 744-5838 • Fax: (843) 744-5847 • www.scdhec.gov**

**JOINT**  
**PUBLIC NOTICE**

CHARLESTON DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
69A Hagood Avenue  
Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107  
and the

S.C. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL  
OFFICE OF OCEAN AND COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT  
1362 McMillan Avenue, Suite 400  
Charleston, South Carolina 29403

REGULATORY DIVISION  
Refer to: P/N #2005-1E-178-P

1 July 2005

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (33 U.S.C. 403), Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), and the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act (48-39-10 et seq.), an application has been submitted to the Department of the Army and the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control by

RIBAUT ISLAND ASSOCIATES, LLC  
P. O. BOX 7883  
HILTON HEAD, SOUTH CAROLINA 29938

for a permit to construct a community dock structure in

BATTERY CREEK

at Rising Tide Drive, Ribaut Island, Beaufort County, South Carolina.  
(Latitude - 32.41708, Longitude - 80.69410)

In order to give all interested parties an opportunity to express their views

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is hereby given that written statements regarding the proposed work will be received by both of the above mentioned offices until

**12 O'CLOCK NOON, MONDAY, 18 JULY 2005**

from those interested in the activity and whose interests may be affected by the proposed work.

The proposed work consists of constructing a timber pier with a 20' x 20' covered fixed pierhead attached to highland by a 6' x 334' walkway. Two (2) resting benches, each 2' x 12', will be installed on the fixed walkway. In addition, a 10' x 48' floating dock is to be installed in front of the fixed pierhead and attached to the fixed pierhead by a 4' x 30' ramp. The purpose of this work is for the private recreational use of the future residents of the Ribaut Island Complex.

**NOTE:** Plans depicting the work described in this notice are available and will be provided, upon receipt of a written request, to anyone that is interested in obtaining a copy of the plans for the specific project. The request must identify the project of interest by public notice number and a self-addressed stamped envelope must also be provided for mailing the drawings to you. Your request for drawings should be addressed to the

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**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
ATTN: REGULATORY DIVISION  
69A Hagood Avenue  
Charleston, South Carolina 29403-5107**

The District Engineer has concluded that the discharges associated with this project, both direct and indirect, should be reviewed by the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control in accordance with provisions of Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. As such, this notice constitutes a request, on behalf of the applicant, for certification that this project will comply with applicable effluent limitations and water quality standards. The work shown on this application must also be certified as consistent with applicable provisions the Coastal Zone Management Program (15 CFR 930). The District Engineer will not process this application to a conclusion until such certifications are received. The applicant is hereby advised that supplemental information may be required by the State to facilitate the review.

This notice initiates the Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) consultation requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Implementation of the proposed project would impact estuarine substrates and emergent wetlands utilized by various life stages of species comprising the red drum, shrimp, and snapper-grouper management complexes. Our initial determination is that the proposed action would not have a substantial individual or cumulative adverse impact on EFH or fisheries managed by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Our final determination relative to project impacts and the need for mitigation measures is subject to review by and coordination with the NMFS.

The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project will have no effect on any Federally endangered, threatened, or proposed species and will not result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated or proposed critical habitat. This public notice serves as a request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service for any additional information they may have on whether any listed or proposed endangered or threatened species or designated or proposed critical habitat may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (as amended).

The District Engineer has consulted the latest published version of the National Register of Historic Places for the presence or absence of registered properties, or properties listed as being eligible for inclusion therein, and this worksite is not included as a registered property or property listed as being eligible for inclusion in the Register. Consultation of the National Register constitutes the extent of cultural resource investigations by the District Engineer, and he is otherwise unaware of the presence of such resources. Presently unknown archaeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical data may be lost or destroyed by the work to be accomplished under the requested permit.

Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for a public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

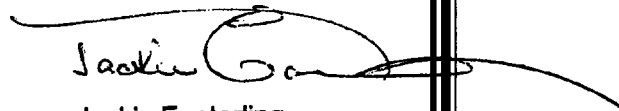
The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably

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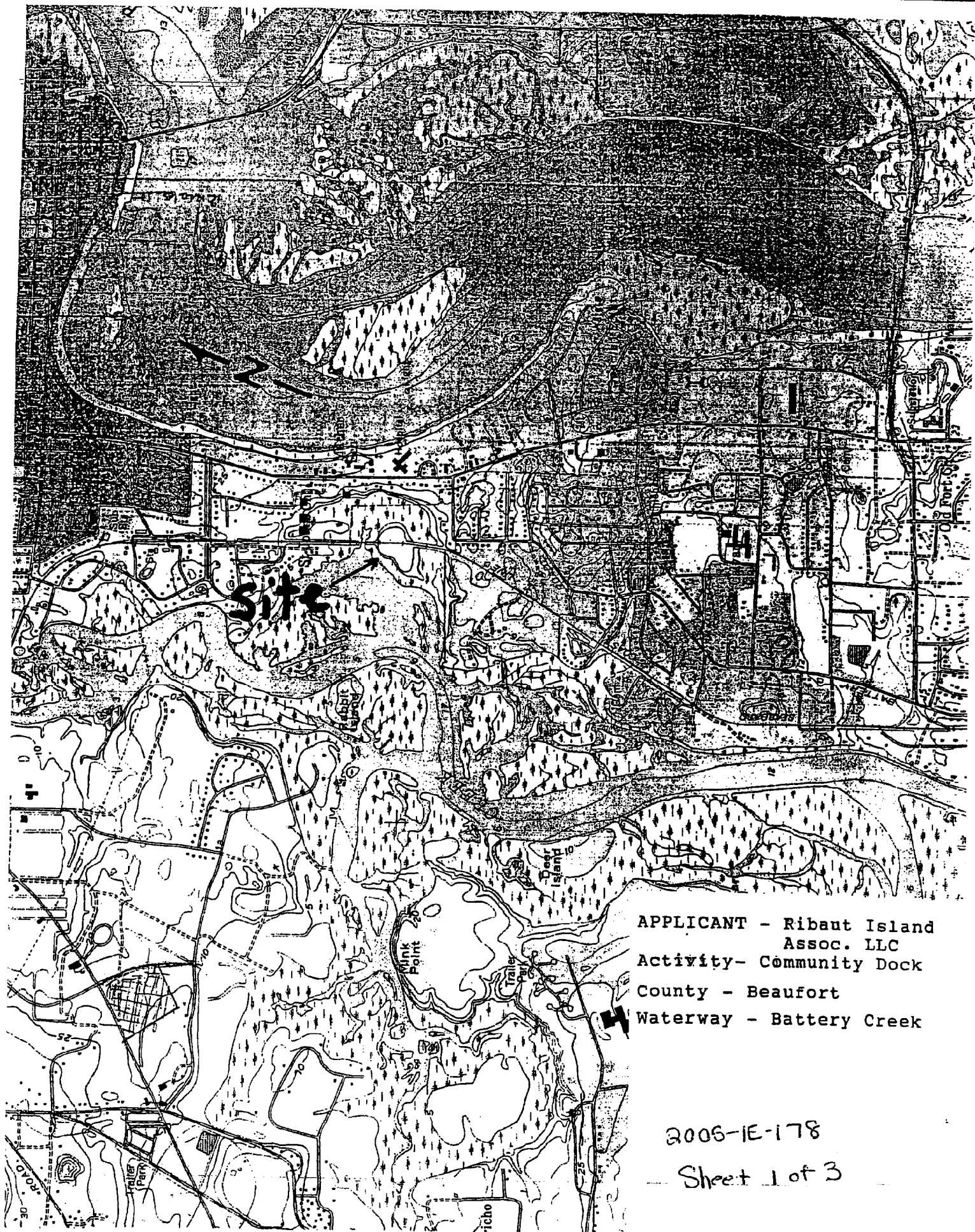
foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. A permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest. In cases of conflicting property rights, the Corps of Engineers cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this project. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

If there are any questions concerning this public notice, please contact me at 843-329-8044 or toll free at 1-866-329-8187.



Jackie Easterling  
Project Manager  
Regulatory Division  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



APPLICANT - Ribaut Island  
Assoc. LLC  
Activity- Community Dock  
County - Beaufort  
Waterway - Battery Creek

2006-IE-178

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DOCK PERMIT SKETCH  
 PREPARED FOR  
 BILL JONES  
 RIBAT ISLAND ASSOCIATES, LLC

EDGE OF MARSH

FLOOD

EBB

677.4

(-4.5)

EDGE OF MARSH

FLOAT 10'x48'

20x20 COVERED PIERHEAD

PROPOSED DOCK 6'x334'x334'

2x12 BENCH

±MHW

DHEC-OCRM CRITICAL LINE

RIBAUT ISLAND

±650' TO N/F WATERS

MERRITT  
PATTERSON

COTTAGE FARM  
✓ PROP. OWNERS

BEAUFORT  
CONSTRUCTION  
INC.

COTTAGE FARM DRIVE

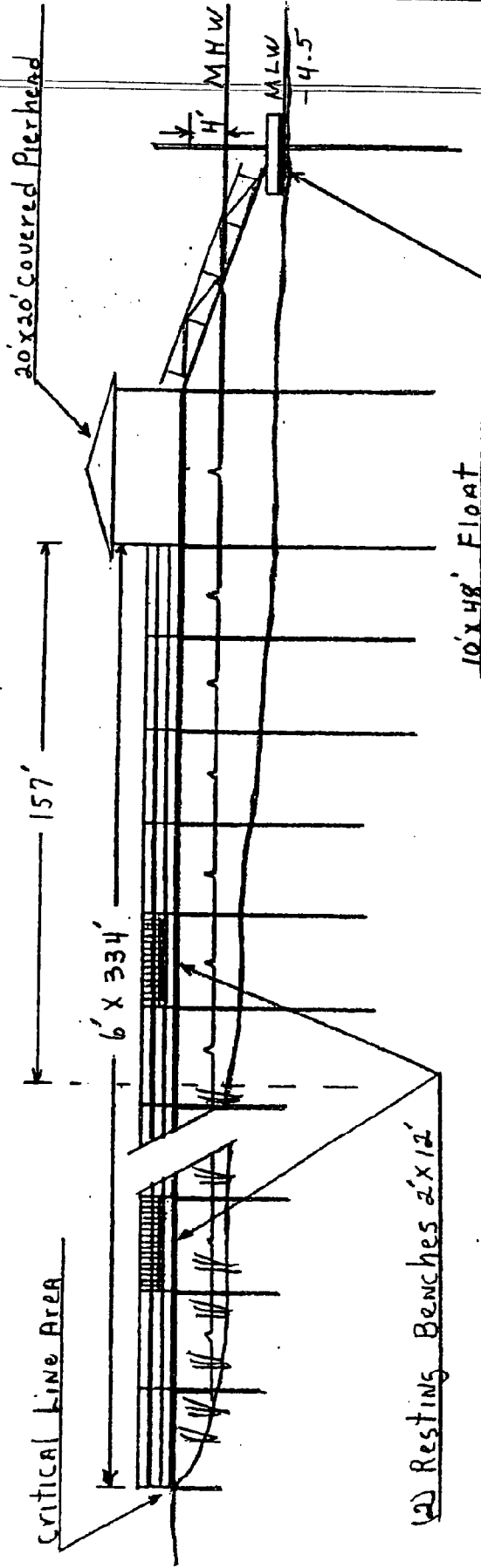
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APPLICANT - RIBAUT ISLAND ASSOC. LLC  
ACTIVITY - COMMUNITY DOCK  
COUNTY - BEAUFORT  
WATERWAY - BATTERY CREEK

2006-1E-78

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Edge of MARSH GRASS      MARSH      TO MARSH      677'



ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS:	APPLICANT: Ribault Island Assoc. LLC LOCATION: 6 Rising Tide Dr Ribault Island Beaufort SC	ACTIVITY: Community Dock P/N # 2008-1E-178
	COUNTY: Beaufort	
	DATE: June 23, 2005	

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REGULATORY DIVISION  
Refer to: P/N #2005-1T-209-P

8 July 2005

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1897 (33 U.S.C. 403), Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344), and the South Carolina Coastal Zone Management Act (48-39-10 et seq.) an application has been submitted to the Department of the Army and the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control by

**SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
**POST OFFICE BOX 191**  
**COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA 29202-0191**

for a permit to place fill material in wetlands adjacent and contiguous to the

**COMBAHEE RIVER**

at a location of U.S. 17 bridge crossing the Combahee River in Beaufort and Colleton Counties, South Carolina (Latitude 32.6526° N; Longitude 80.6828° W).

In order to give all interested parties an opportunity to express their views

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is hereby given that written statements regarding the proposed work will be received by both of the above mentioned offices until

**12 O'CLOCK NOON, MONDAY, 25 JULY 2005**

from those interested in the activity and whose interests may be affected by the proposed work.

The proposed work consists of the replacement of the existing two (2) lane bridge with a four (4) lane bridge and widening the existing causeway to accommodate the new bridge structure. In detail, the proposed project requires permanent fill impacts to a total of 2.15 acres of wetlands. Mitigation for these impacts will be included as part of, and in addition to, mitigation to be provided for U.S. 17 improvements proposed north and south of this project between Jacksonboro and Gardens Corner, South Carolina. The project purpose, as stated by the applicant, is to replace the existing functionally deficient U.S. 17 bridge over the Combahee River and widen the existing causeway to accommodate the replacement bridge.

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The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the activity on the public interest and will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act and, as appropriate, the criteria established under authority of Section 102 of the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act of 1972, as amended. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the project must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the project will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. A permit will be granted unless the District Engineer determines that it would be contrary to the public interest. In cases of conflicting property rights, the Corps of Engineers cannot undertake to adjudicate rival claims.

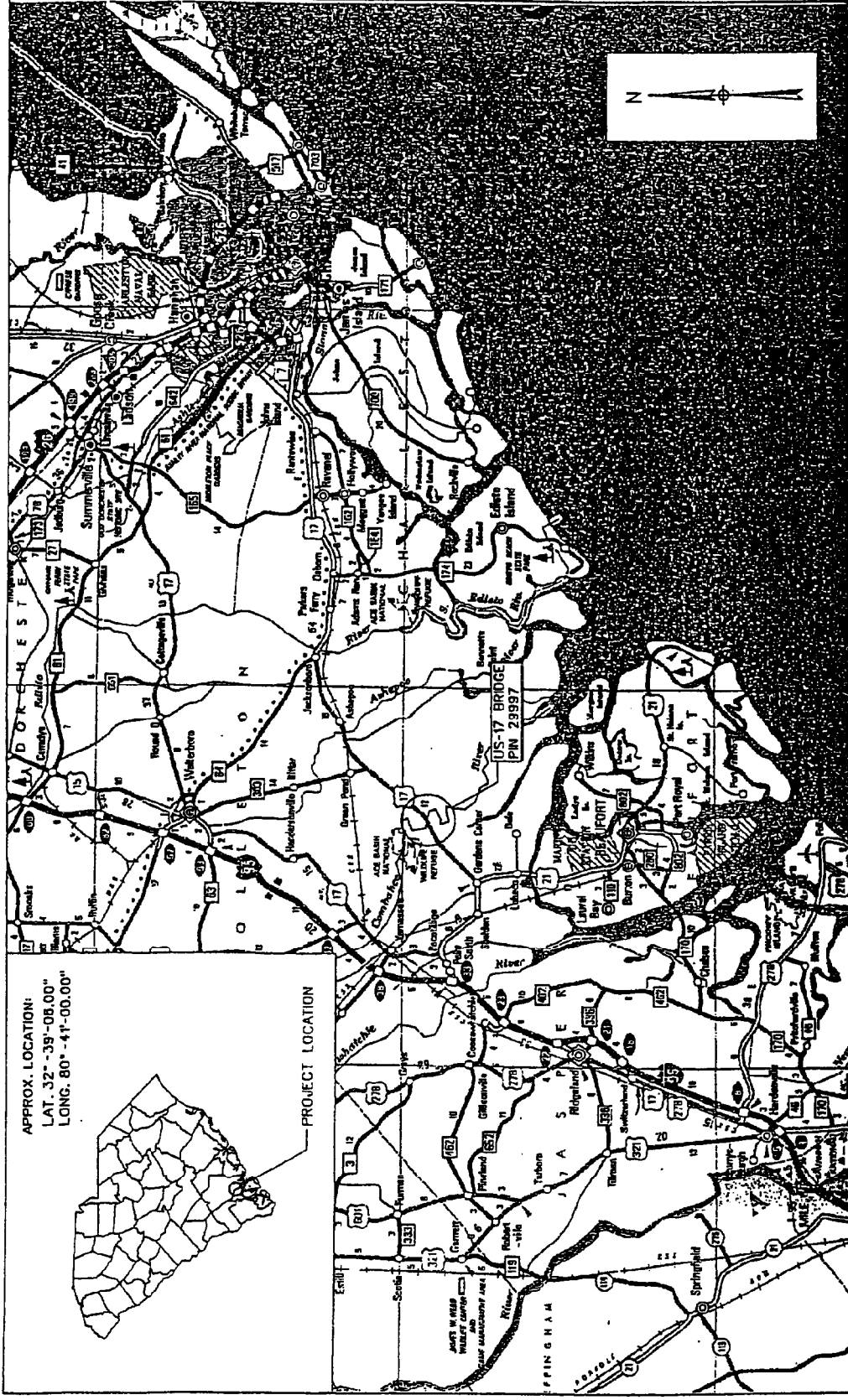
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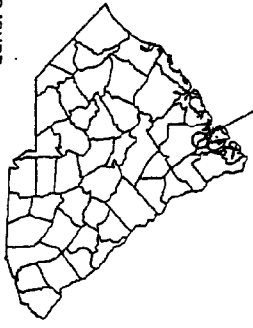


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APPROX. LOCATION:  
LAT. 32°-39'-08.00"  
LONG. 80°-41'-00.00"



PROJECT LOCATION

FIGURE 1  
VICINITY MAP

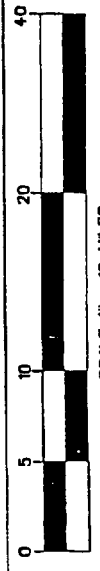
US-17 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT  
OVER COMBAHEE RIVER

FILE NO. 715.101B  
PIN NO. 29997  
FEDERAL PROJ. NO. B08-88(039)  
BEAUFORT AND COLLETON COUNTIES  
SOUTH CAROLINA

DATE: MAY 2005, SHEET NO. 1 OF 7

**SITE**  
**BLAUVELT**  
**ENGINEERS**  
**.INC.**

905 OLD CHEROKEE ROAD  
LEXINGTON, SC 29072  
(803) 356-8395



# WETLAND IMPACTS

AREA 1	=	0.376	Ac
AREA 2	=	0.122	Ac
AREA 3	=	0.326	Ac
AREA 4	=	0.082	Ac
AREA 5	=	0.026	Ac
AREA 6	=	0.350	Ac
AREA 7	=	0.869	Ac

TOTAL IMPACT = 2.151 AC

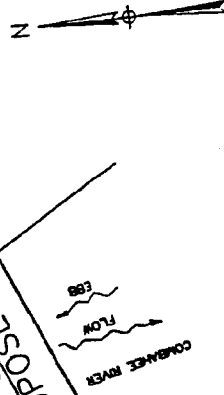
see FIGURE 3

see FIGURE 5

112'-0" NAVIGABLE  
WIDTH

FIGURE 3

FIGURE 5



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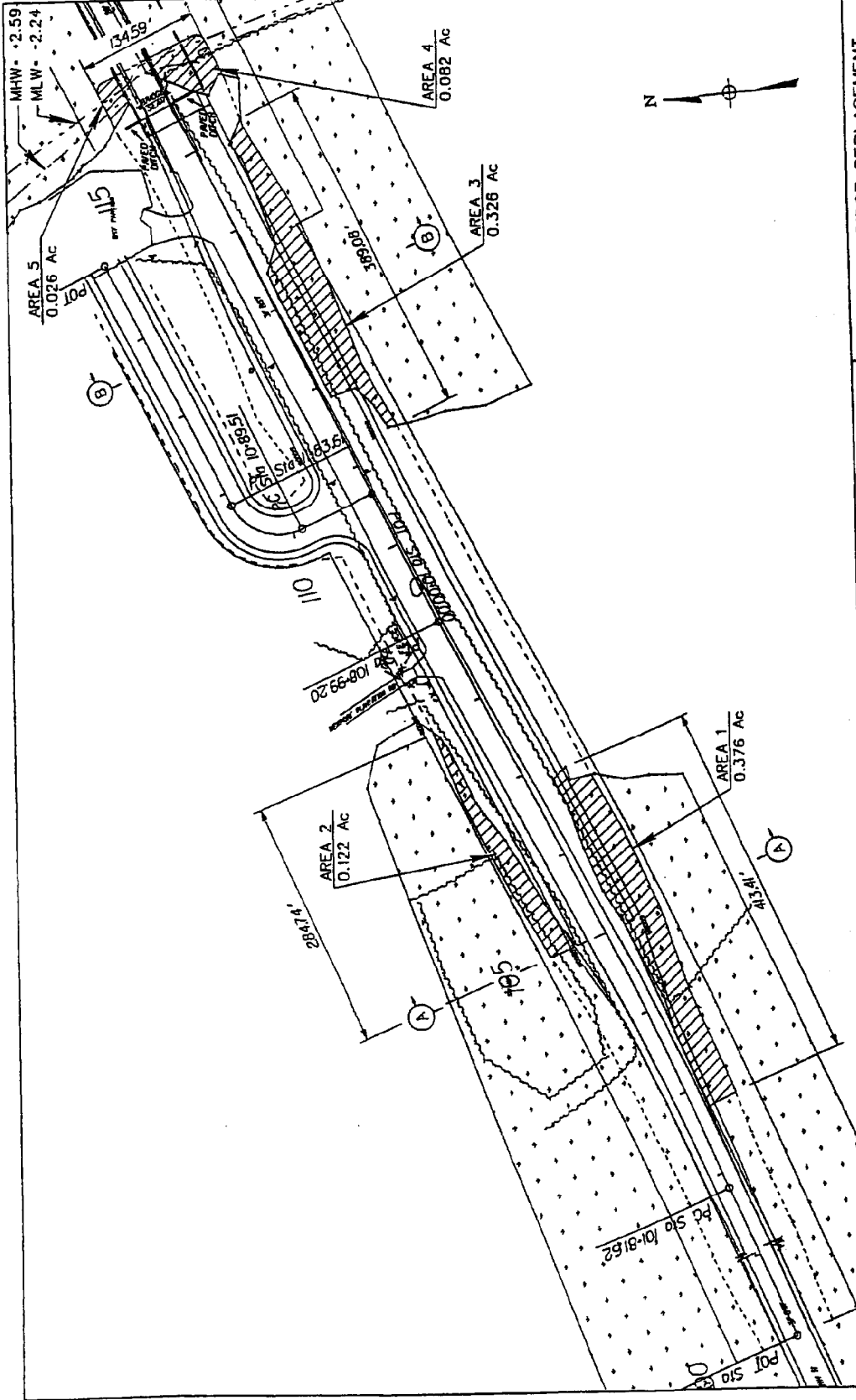
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FIGURE KEY



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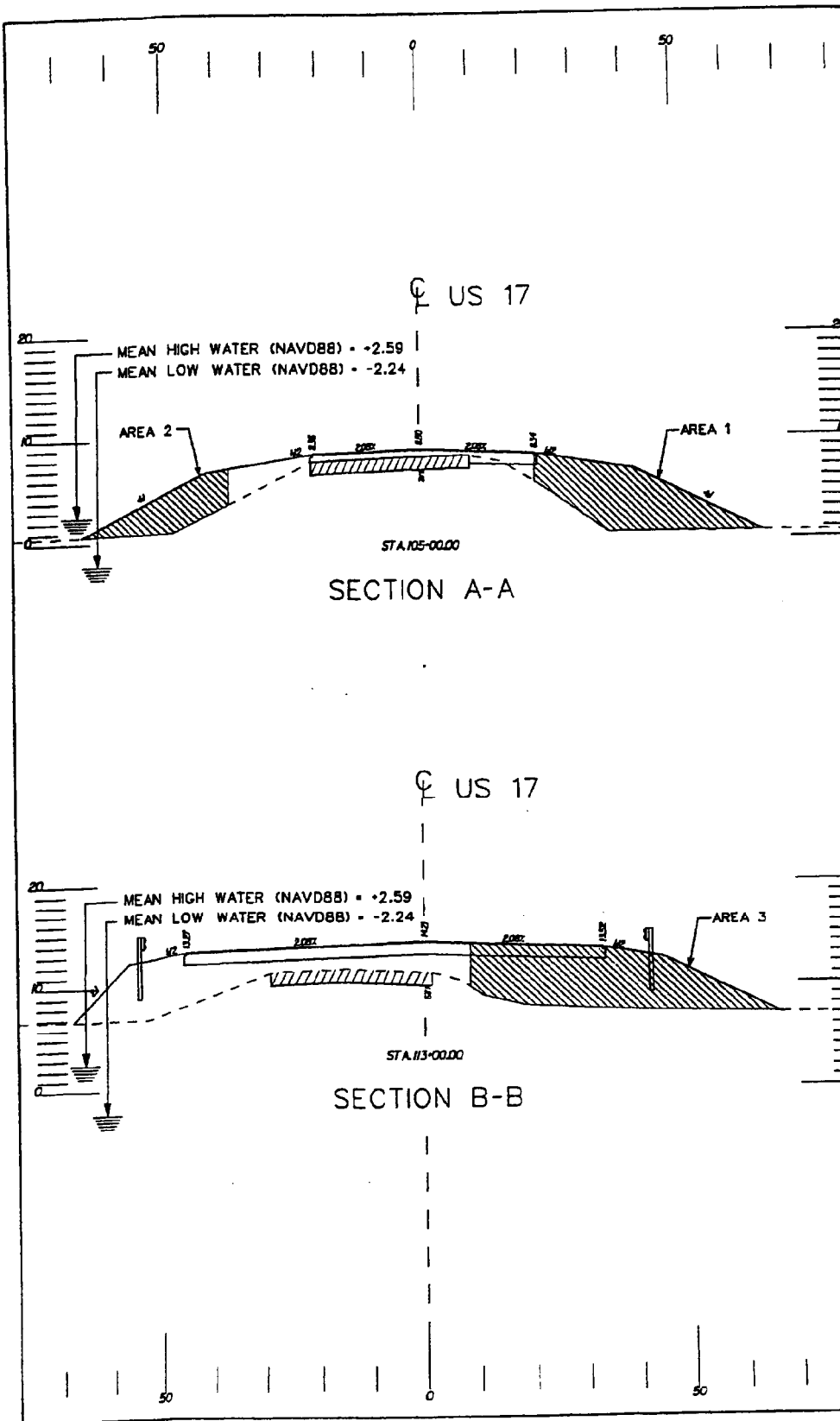
FIGURE 3

US-17 BEAUFORT COUNTY

TITLE:

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US-17 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT  
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PIN NO. 29997  
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BEAUFORT AND COLLETON COUNTIES  
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FIGURE 4  
SECTIONS A-A & B-B

PN#2005-1T-204

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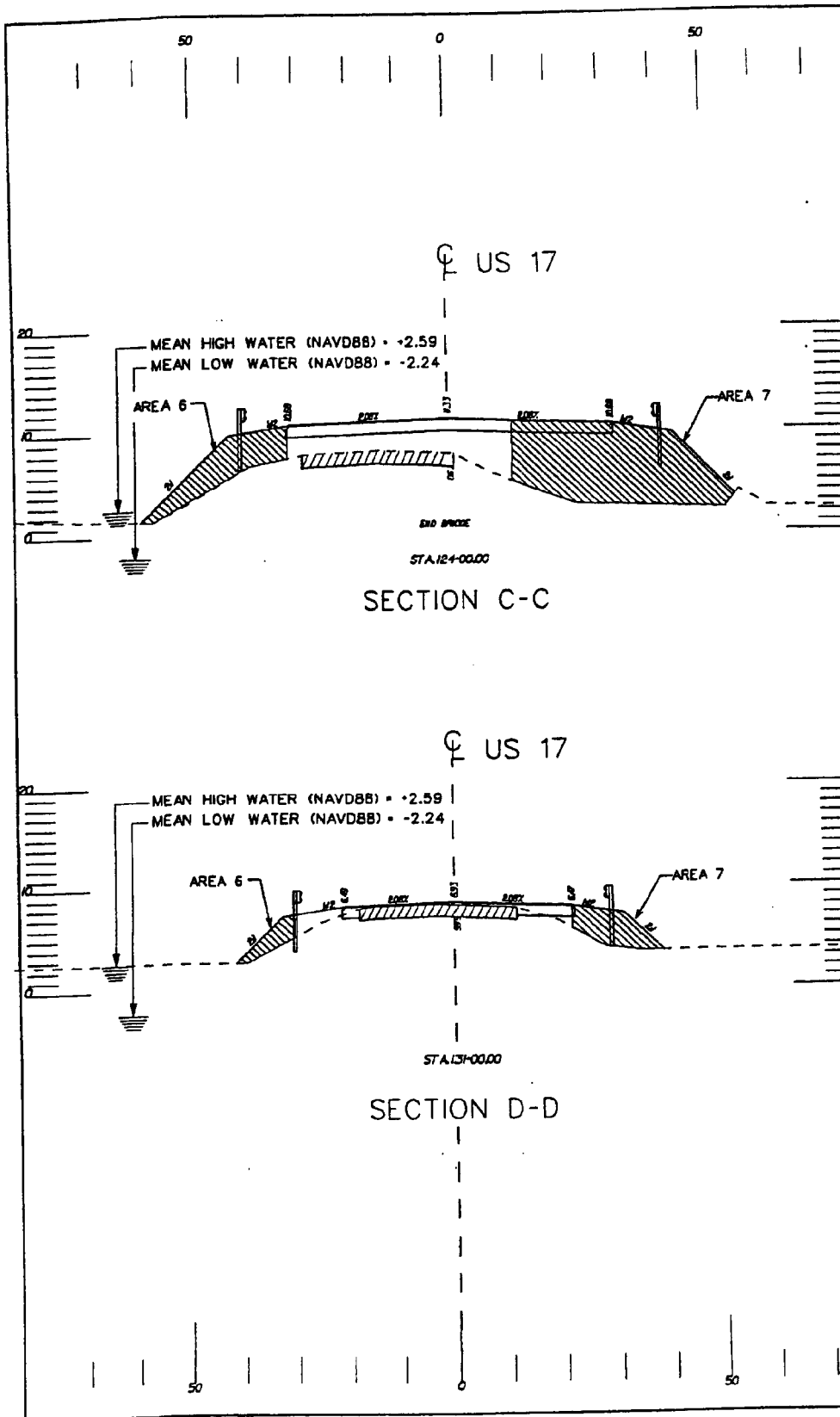


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UIS-17 COLLETON COUNTY

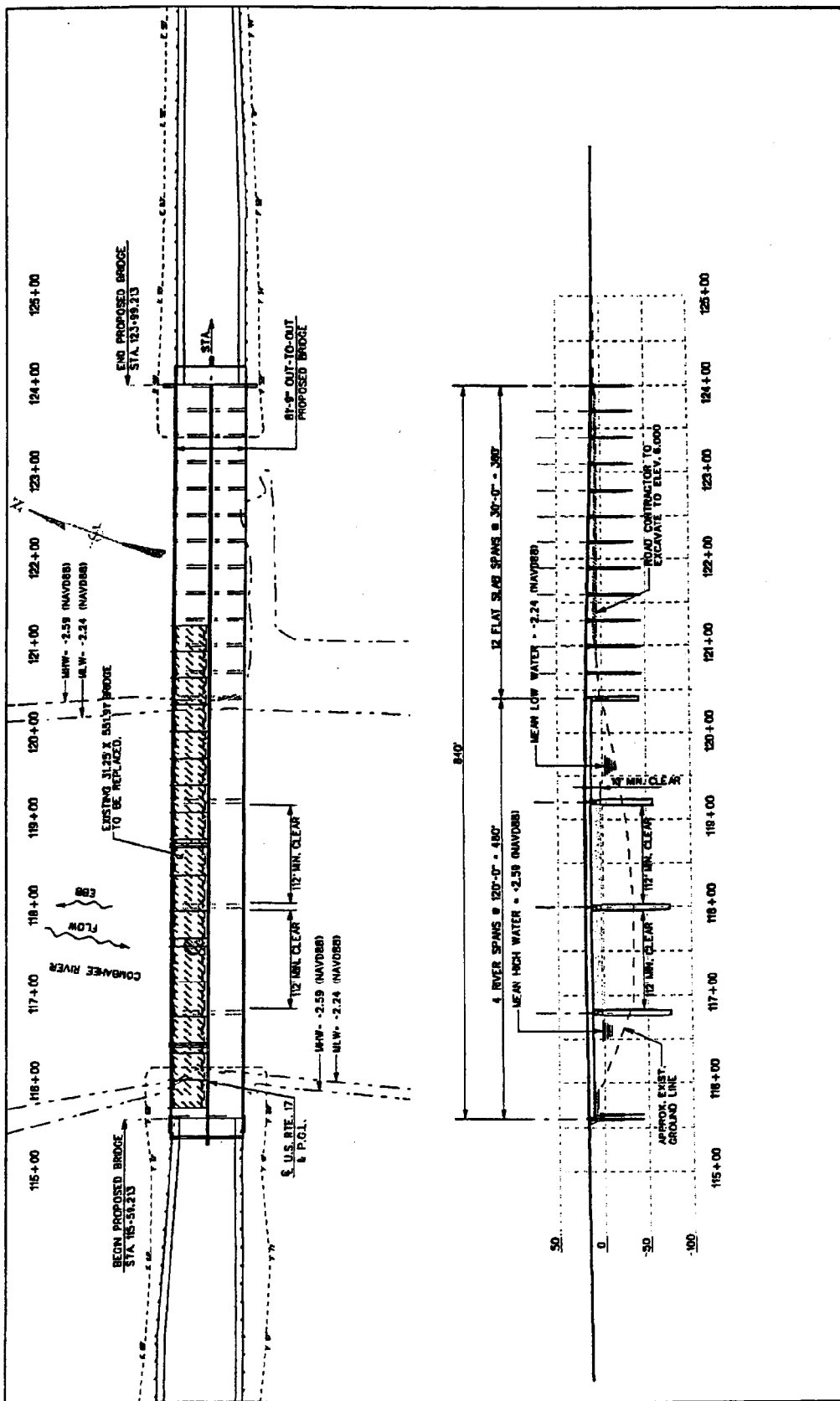


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<p>US-17 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OVER COMBAHEE RIVER</p> <p>FILE NO. 715.1018 PIN NO. 29997 FEDERAL PROJ. NO. B88-BB(039) BEAUFORT AND COLLETON COUNTIES SOUTH CAROLINA</p> <p>DATE: MAY 2005 SHEET NO. 6 OF 7</p>	
<p>FIGURE 6</p> <p>PN# 2005-1T-204</p> <p>SECTIONS C-C &amp; D-D</p>	<p>TITLE:</p>
<p><b>SITE BLAUVELT</b> ENGINEERS</p> <p>905 OLD CHEROKEE ROAD LEXINGTON, SC 29072 (803) 356-8395</p>	





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